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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 89-48

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY GAIN COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: IMPACT OF GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE (GAIN) COST  
REDUCTIONS ON REFUGEES APPLYING FOR/RECEIVING CASH  
ASSISTANCE

REFERENCE: ALL-COUNTY LETTER 88-109

The purpose of this letter is to advise Counties which receive Federal Refugees Employment Social Services (RESS) and/or Targeted Assistance (TA) funds that under the following conditions the statutory GAIN cost reduction procedures contained in Manual of Policy and Procedures (MPP) Section 42-720.63 are not applicable to refugees applying for or receiving assistance through the Refugee Demonstration Project (RDP), the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) or Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) programs:

1. Refugee Cases Converted from RDP Status to AFDC:

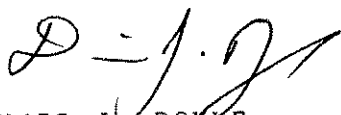
The provisions of MPP Section 69-204.33 specify that refugee cases terminated from the RDP shall be transferred via interprogram transfer (i.e., no new application taken) to Federal AFDC/FG/U if the RDP assistance unit is otherwise eligible. Therefore, refugees whose RDP cases are converted to AFDC shall not be subject to the exclusion criteria governing AFDC applicants as specified in MPP Sections 42-720.631(a) and (b) and 42-720.632(a) and (b) (see attached). In addition, the time spent on aid under the RDP shall be counted as time spent on AFDC for purposes of determining the total amount of time on AFDC.

2. Use of RESS and TA Funds:

The provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 2635, Chapter 1192, Statutes of 1987 authorize Counties to provide GAIN services for RDP and RCA applicants/recipients. Also, AB 2635 authorizes the use of RESS funds to cover service and administrative costs for refugees participating in the GAIN

Program. In addition, State policy authorizes the use of TA funds to cover the costs of GAIN services for refugee AFDC applicants/recipients. Therefore, to the extent that RESS and/or TA funds are available to cover full participation costs, refugees applying for or receiving cash assistance through the RDP, RCA or AFDC Programs and participating in GAIN shall be exempted from the exclusion criteria specified in MPP Sections 42-720.631(a) through (g) and 42-720.632(a) through (d).

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